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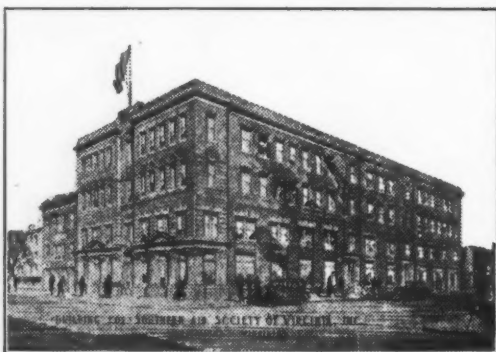


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As the Crow Flies

Mr. Roosevelt's record on the Negro problem is clear. He hasn't any.

We have in mind several candidates for the cross-country run.

Goethe died a hundred years ago. America has not yet learned to pronounce his name.

Mr. Hoover's record on the Negro problem is not clear and in that respect it resembles his record on everything else.

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Mr. Thomas' record on the Negro problem is logical in a painfully illogical land.

You can't beat American justice. Jersey police did not know the Lindbergh kidnapers but pretended that they were after them. Mr. Curtis of Virginia did the same thing. The police had him arrested and convicted.

Spend. If you've nothing to spend, give; if you've nothing to give, beg; if you've nothing to beg—O come now!

The Republican Convention was machine-made. The Democratic Convention was a bargain-day sale. The net result of both was nothing for us.

Congress having done nothing but take our last cent for taxes has gone home, where we pray God it will stay awhile.

Every other Englishman is living on a pension paid by some half-starved native and to keep the native's courage up, he yells: "GOD SAVE OUR GRACIOUS BREAD AND BUTTER." And so here's hoping Ireland sees it through.

For whom shall we vote? All right, now let me ask one.

In union there is weakness is the doctrine of certain Jews and Negroes.

When Hindenburg called the Junkers and shook his fists at the Socialists, he bit off more than all Europe could chew.

What do we need? A revenue tariff, preparation for peace, recognition of Russia and forgiveness of international debts. What are we promised? Free beer.

We seem dimly to remember that the League of Nations, armed with several notes from Mr. Stimson, started to make Japan do something sometime since.

We do not doubt that the enormous expense of assembling a million people amid world starvation, to contemplate the Holy Eucharist has its points. But we don't see them and we don't care who knows it.

Lausanne knows there's no more blood in the German turnip, but how to say it with dignity is the French problem.

The world moves even if it just turns round in the same place: Here is Mr. Ishii telling America to keep out of China and yet we have not mobilized the fleet and Mr. Hearst has escaped apoplexy.

Could we suggest anything better? We could. A hundred million thoughtful folk kneeling right where they are, and praying: "Oh God, stop war! Give us peace in our time! Disband all armies, scrap all navies! Disarm not thirty-three and one-third but one hundred per cent. Kill the Generals, shoot the Admirals, hang the munition makers. Amen!"

That Peace Conference at Geneva must be working itself damned near to death.

India is Silence so far as the Associated Press is concerned. After all, what is News when colored folk fight for freedom?

Talk about whistling for courage; 12,000,000 of us have no jobs and we're holding Olympic games at Los Angeles.

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THE questionnaire which THE CRISIS sent out this year was limited in circulation and content by the current depression. The returns, however, would indicate that there were enrolled in American colleges and professional schools in the year 1931-1932, 20,277 students of Negro descent, of whom 19,256 were in college and 1,021 in professional schools. Of these, 2,123 received the degree of Bachelor of Arts; 194 the degree of Master of Arts; 7 the degree of Ph.D.; 17 the degree of Bachelor of Laws; 115 the degree of Doctor of Medicine; 40 the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery and 30 the degree in Pharmacy.

It is noticeable that the tide of students is turning from the private schools to schools supported by the state. This is seen in the great increase of college enrollment in the Tennessee A. and I., Prairie View, Southern, West Virginia State and Virginia State, and similar colored schools; and also in the colored enrollment in state universities of the North, like Ohio State, the University of Kansas, University of Iowa, the University of Illinois, and similar institutions.

The colored graduate and professional schools send these reports:

Atlanta University with 69 students, granted 4 Master's degrees.

Meharry with 344 professional students, graduated 51 Doctors of Medicine, 17 Doctors of Dental Science, and 9 Pharmacists.

Howard with 608 professional and graduate students, granted the following degrees:

18 Master's of Art, 8 Bachelors of Theology, 17 Bachelors of Law, 55 Doctors of Medicine, 17 Doctors of Dental Science and 9 Pharmacists.

Gammon Theological Seminary graduated 10 Bachelors of Divinity; Fisk granted 2 degrees of Master of Arts;

Hampton 3 and Lincoln University, Pa., 1.

The details of enrollment and graduates for the colored colleges are as follows:

Colored Colleges

Colleges	Number of Students	Graduates- Bachelor's Degree
Howard	1574	238
Hampton	889	103
Tennessee A. and I.	848	73
Prairie View	797	90
Southern	673	42
West Virginia State	647	77
Tuskegee	577	59
Virginia State	575	61
Morgan	532	57
Stowe Teachers	523	26
Fisk	491	86
State Teachers, Montgomery, Ala.	463	25
Miner Teachers' College, D. C.	406	0
Bishop	391	26
Wiley	360	25
Agricultural and Technical, N. C.	338	31
Virginia Union	330	59
Normal, Fayetteville, N. C.	327	0
Lincoln University, Pa.	318	80
State A. and M. Orangeburg, S. C.	312	31
Knoxville	297	40
Morehouse	296	41
New Orleans	296	36
North Carolina, Durham	284	23
Lane	271	23
Morris Brown	263	28
Winston-Salem Teachers	262	27
Johnson C. Smith	261	57
Xavier	237	31
Bluefield	223	9
Talladega	221	42
Kentucky State	220	17
Lincoln, Missouri	210	27
Livingstone	202	25
Spelman	202	38
Alcorn	181	34
Normal, Elizabeth City, N. C.	181	0
Bennett	179	19
Saint Augustine's	179	16
State A and M Normal, Ala.	151	0
Wilberforce	146	43
Arkansas State	116	17
Straight	116	0
Maryland Normal	112	0
Paine	110	9
Coppin Normal	108	0
Tougaloo	98	18
Arkansas Baptist	60	10
Virginia Theological	52	6
Dover	52	4
Cheyney	21	4
Total	16,918	1845

If we take the colored colleges who graduated forty or more students, we have the following list of persons who ranked their college classes:

Howard	Marie L. Taylor
Hampton	George C. Taylor
Tennessee A. and I.	Geraldine F. Bennett
Prairie View	Mattie B. Whitting
Southern	Alma D. Rigmaiden

West Virginia State	Jesse Branch
Tuskegee	Laura M. Crayton
Virginia State	Sarelda I. James
Morgan	James T. King
Fisk	Laurence Reddick
Virginia Union	Elsie M. Frazier
Lincoln Univ., Pa.	Edward L. Maia
Knoxville	Estelle Smith
Morehouse	Milton K. Curry, Jr.
Johnson C. Smith	Harry B. Rutherford
Talladega	Coragrene Johnstone
Wilberforce	John Harewood

The large Northern institutions enrolled Negro students and graduates as follows:

	Total Enrollment	A.B.	A.M.
Ohio State University	260	13	8
Temple University, Pa.	210	8	
Columbia University, N. Y.	100	18	43
New York University	165	5	6
College of the City of New York	50	9	
University of Kansas	138	16	4
Hunter College, New York	135	25	
University of Iowa	135	5	9
Colleges of the City of Detroit	121	7	
Indiana University	91	11	1
Boston University	89	10	7
Western Reserve, Ohio	56	10	5
Oberlin, Ohio	44	1	1
University of Nebraska	32	4	1
Kansas State College	28	2	
University of Cincinnati	75	23	36
University of Illinois	100	27	2
University of Pennsylvania	35	5	9
University of Pittsburgh	75		
University of California	25	6	0
University of Michigan	60	7	10
Loyola	36	0	0
Butler	40	16	2
University of Chicago	35	8	2
Total	2135	238	146

The following Northern institutions have between seven and fifteen colored students each, or a total of 143.

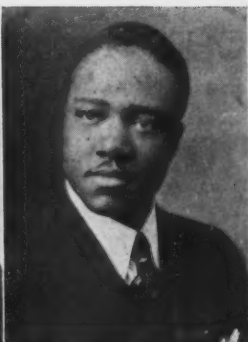
Drew, New Jersey	University of Minnesota
International Y. M. C. A., Mass.	Syracuse, N. Y.
Brown, Rhode Island	
University of Colorado	Simmons, Mass.
Yale, Conn.	Wellesley, Mass.
Pennsylvania State	Northwestern, Ill.
Purdue, Indiana	University of Southern Calif.

From these there were graduated in 1932, 27 with the degree of A.B.; 14 with the degree of A.M., and 1 with the degree of B.D.

Twenty-one other colleges, including Radcliffe, Smith, Amherst, Bates, Bowdoin, Bryn Mawr, Dartmouth, Haverford, Mount Holyoke, Rutgers, University of New Mexico, Keuka College and others, enrolled sixty colored students, and granted in 1932, 13 Bachelors degrees and 6 Masters degrees.



A. R. Lord
A.M.
Columbia



W. R. Strassner
S.T.M.
Newton Theological



M. Esters
A.M.
Drake



N. L. Merrifield
M.S.
Northwestern



C. M. Brooks
M.B.A.
New York U.

This would make the total enrollment in white colleges 2,338, with 278 graduated with the Bachelors degree and 166 with the Masters degree.

Perhaps 25 to 50 other colored students and graduates are scattered in various colleges which we have not reached.

The white professional schools are evidently narrowing the opportunity if not actually closing the door on Negro professional students. Only 9 Negroes during the last year have received the degree of Doctor of Medicine from these institutions: 2 each from the University of Minnesota, New York University and the University of Pennsylvania; and 1 each from Indiana University, the State University of Iowa and Temple University, Penn. There were 6 Doctors of Dental Surgery; 2 from Temple and 1 each from Columbia, the University of Minnesota, the University of Iowa and Tufts College. Six were graduated in Pharmacy; 2 each at Columbia and Temple and 1 each at the College of the City of Detroit and the University of Illinois.

In Northern institutions there were the following records which deserve notice:

It is reported that the degree of Doctor of Philosophy has been conferred on colored students as follows:

Ph.D.

Brown.....S. M. Nabrit
University of Chicago.....Robert Stewart Jason

Columbia.....Robert P. Daniel—I. A. Derbigny
Cornell.....W. Napoleon Rivers, Jr.
Harvard.....Robert Percy Barnes
Minnesota.....Vernon Alexander Wilkerson
Western Reserve.....William M. Cobb

Phi Beta Kappa

Barnard College.....Vera Joseph
University of Minnesota.....Mary L. Huff

Sigma Xi

Columbia.....Irving A. Debigny
University of Minnesota.....Charles W. Buggs
Vernon A. Wilkerson
Ohio State University.....Harry Green

The following honorary degrees were conferred on colored men:

By Bates College on John Hope, President of Atlanta University, the degree of Doctor of Laws.
By Rutgers College on Paul Robeson, the degree of Master of Arts.
By Colgate University on Samuel H. Archer, President of Morehouse College, the degree of Doctor of Divinity.
By Berea College on Wallace Battle, the degree of Doctor of Literature.

At the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the Vice President wrote F. A. Gregory: "The Department has been delighted to have contact with so excellent a student as you have proved to be." Gregory, while a student at the Case School of Applied Science in Cleveland, was elected to the Honorary Engineering Fraternity, Tau Beta Pi. The National Council repudiated his election because he was of Negro descent.

At Drew University, a colored freshman holds one of the four trustees scholarships. "We are proud of our colored students at Drew and the record they have made."

At Harvard, W. S. Baskerville, won the Boylston Speaking Prize in 1931, and held two university scholarships. J. E. Moseley held a University scholarship and graduated Cum Laude. W. E. Harrison won the third Bowdoin Prize in 1931; held two University scholarships, and graduated Cum Laude. Frank M. Snowden held four University scholarships; won the first Bowdoin Prize in 1932 and graduated Cum Laude. R. S. Watson was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, Magna Cum Laude. H. V. Richardson won the Speaking Prize in the Divinity School.

At Hunter College, Lydy Winters represented the college at the inter-collegiate poetry reading at Wellesley. Lula Burton was Secretary of the college branch of the National Honorary English Fraternity. Dorothy Williams was Assistant Editor of the college newspaper. Elizabeth McDougal was publicity manager of the debating society. Oris Jones was Secretary of the Classical Honorary Fraternity and was granted an Honors course in Latin.

At the University of Illinois, Margaret E. Clem was an Honor Student for four years and winner of the Scholarship Key. Eloise M. Spurlock was an Honor Student for three years.

The Reverend L. R. Mitchell of Cincinnati received the Graduate Degree



L. M. Crayton
Ranking Student
Tuskegee



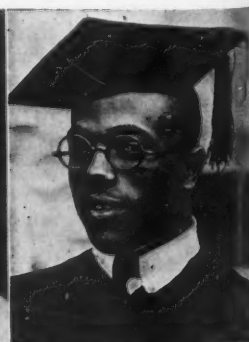
H. J. Green
B. Ch. E.
Ohio State



Vera Joseph
Phi Beta Kappa
Barnard



E. Smith
Ranking Student
Knoxville



J. T. King
Ranking Student
Morgan



H. B. Rutherford
Ranking Student
Johnson Smith



G. P. Bennett
Ranking Student
Tenn. A. and I.



L. D. Reddick
Ranking Student
Fisk



M. L. Huff
Phi Beta Kappa
Minnesota



J. Branche
Ranking Student
West Va. State

in Theology at the 100th and final Commencement at Lane Seminary.

At the University of Minnesota, Mary L. Huff was elected to the Phi Beta Kappa and graduated Magna Cum Laude.

At New York University, Robert Brittingham of the Department of Music Education "has one of the highest records of any of the students of the school."

At Oberlin College, Mrs. Shirley G. McCanns, a sophomore, wrote an opera, "Tom, Tom," which has been produced with notable success in Cleveland. Jules Bledsoe and Charlotte Murray took the leading roles, assisted by 500 colored persons, before an audience of 1,500. Mary Garden and Vicki Baum were enthusiastic of their praise. (See page 258)

When the degrees were conferred at Oberlin, a spectator writes:

A slight restlessness rippled over the audience, but as I leaned in my seat there came an almost imperceptible pause in the line. Something in the president's voice suggested the catching of a breath as he called the name "Joseph Sandy Himes, Jr." In the utter stillness which followed there walked across the platform a slender, brown figure. He received his little book and then over his shoulders was fitted the beautiful hood of the Master of Arts. The dean of the college left his place and with light fingers on his arm walked with him to the edge of the platform; at the foot of the stairs a professor stood with uplifted hand, for Joseph Sandy Himes, Jr.,

twenty-four year old Negro, Phi Beta Kappa, Magna cum laude graduate of Oberlin in the class of 1931, is blind.

At Ohio State University, Gertrude Scott was elected to the "Chimes," an Honorary Scholarship Society. Clyde Minor was elected to the Alpha Kappa Delta, an Honorary Sociology Society. Harry J. Green, Jr., stood at the head of his class in Chemical Engineering, and was elected to the Sigma Xi. Thomas W. Young, B.S. in Journalism and L.L.B., won a Wolfe Journalism Honor Medal.

At Purdue University, Miss Delia Silance received \$50 in gold as the most outstanding girl in the Science School. She has been on the Honor list for four years.

At Yale University, Rachel R. Moore of the first year class was awarded the second entrance prize for piano playing.

At the State University of Iowa, Ralph E. Byrd, a sophomore, shared the Lowden Prize in Mathematics with another student.

Elmer E. Collins, in the College of Medicine, has stood at the head of his class for two and one-half years and was elected to the Alpha Omega Alpha Honorary Medical Fraternity.

At Wellesley College, Miss Elizabeth Neill was on the highest Honor list for the freshman year and Miss A. W. Phillips on the second list. Miss Belle

C. Tobias, a graduate of Barnard and Phi Beta Kappa, won the Herman Prize in Biology and the Wellesley scholarship for graduate study as well as her Master's degree. She had a straight "A" record in all subjects.

Frank Horne, Dean of Fort Valley N. and I. School, received the degree of A.M. at the University of Southern California. He will act as Associate Director of the Vocational Guidance School of the University this summer and return to Fort Valley in September.

A graduate of Achimota, Gold Coast, West Africa, has entered St. Peters Hall, Oxford. Achimota College receives \$340,000 a year from the government.

W. M. Cobb received the first Ph.D. at Western Reserve University ever conferred upon a Negro. His work was done in Anatomy under Dr. T. Wingate Todd. "The results of this work emphasize the influence of accessible environmental influences in the development of a good human animal, rather than uncontrollable hereditary factors. It is this feature which is of value to the Negro because as the evidence continues to accumulate it will not only constitute positive refutation of inferences of Negro stock inferiority by such men as Beane, Hrdlicka, Holmes, etc., but definitely indicate the direction and practical character of efforts at improv-



I. M. Martin
M.B.A.
Pennsylvania



E. T. Perry
A.M.
Columbia



A. E. Sykes
A.M.
Columbia



J. S. Himes, Jr.
A.M.
Oberlin



H. A. Davis
A.M.
Radcliffe



ing the quality of Man as an organism." Dr. Cobb goes to Howard University to teach Anatomy.

At the University of Chicago, Mrs. Frances McLemore was Research Assistant to Professor Gostell of the Political Science Department, where a group of Negro students are studying the Negro in Politics in Chicago. Miss Mabel Byrd is the first colored student to live in the Women's Residence Halls. Dudley Woodard has maintained a remarkable record in the Graduate Department of Physics and is also a notable athlete. He will probably receive his Ph.D. in Physics at the end of the summer quarter.

In athletics, there were several outstanding Negroes: Dues and Lewis at the College of the City of Detroit, Thompson at Drake, Elizabeth McDougal and Mary Holloway at Hunter College, Crank at Loyola, Brown and Belle at Ohio State University, John Brooks at Chicago, and Baskerville at Harvard.

Negro colleges record buildings, gifts and state recognition as follows:

At the Tennessee A. and I. College, Nashville, a new Women's Vocational Building which will cost completed, \$250,000; a Men's Vocational Building to cost \$150,000, is in process of erection. There are plans for a new Administration Building and several other buildings. At Prairie View, Texas, an Educational Building costing \$70,000. At the A. and T. College, Greensboro, North Carolina, an Administration Building costing with equipment \$160,000. At Virginia State College, Petersburg, a dining room with modern equipment, to seat 1,500 students. A new classroom and Administration

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Distinguished Students

First Column, Men

Read from the top down

W. H. James, A.M., Boston U.; T. W. Young, L.L.B. and Honor Medal, Ohio State; J. L. Hawkins, A. M., Columbia; F. A. Gregory, M. S., Mass. I. T.; W. T. Dixon, A.M., Columbia.

Second Column, Women

D. Silance, B.S., Ranking Student, Purdue; L. J. Bullock, A.M., Boston U.; E. M. Frazier, Ranking Student, Va. Union; G. B. Rivers, A.M., Cornell; M. B. Whiting, Ranking Student, Prairie View.

Third Column, Women

C. L. Howard, A.M., Middlebury; A. M. Terry, A.M., Wittenberg; B. C. Tobias, A.M., Wellesley; V. I. Greene, A.M., Western Reserve; M. E. Clem, A.B., Honor Student, U. of Ill.

Fourth Column, Men

E. A. Kendall, Ranking Student, M.D., Meharry; A. D. Smith, M.S., Columbia; C. A. Proctor, M.S., Atlanta; John Hope, II, A.M., Brown; J. J. Seabrook, Jr., L.L.M., Boston U.



Youth Takes a Hand in Mississippi

By S. RALPH HARLOW

Professor in Smith College

NOW and then the older generation over-steps the limit of common good-taste, to say nothing of that courtesy for which the South is justly given credit, and displays a reversion to uncouth and primitive manners which might be expected among crude savages. But let us not insult such backward peoples, who often display a remarkable degree of generosity and fine sense of the fitness of things worthy of the cavaliers.

It is doubtful, however, whether one could discover among the savage tribes of Asia or Africa as shocking a piece of raw lack of good-manners as was displayed recently by the administration of the Mississippi State College for Women. Then youth stepped in and took a hand, revealed what many of us are aware is growing among college men and women in the South, a sense of fairness and justice backed by dauntless courage—an attempt to undo in part the ill-bred and bigoted discourtesy of the elder generation.

About the middle of May, the Young Women's Christian Association at Mississippi State College for Women invited Dr. George Washington Carver to deliver a lecture on a scientific subject, a field in which he is one of America's outstanding authorities.

On the evening on which he was to speak, just a few hours before the time at which the meeting was scheduled, the college administration announced that no student would be allowed to attend such a meeting, and that Dr. Carver would be forbidden to step foot on the campus. The Y.W.C.A. made immediate efforts to hold the meeting off the campus, at which juncture the administration ordered every student confined to the limits of the campus so that no student might attend the lecture. What an environment in which to receive "higher education!"

Miss Jane Nielson, managing editor of the college paper, and an outstanding leader among the undergraduates then stepped in and revealed the quality of southern college students in such a crisis. In the first issue, after this most disgraceful behaviour on the part of the college administration, she wrote the following editorial. It may cost her the rest of her college course at the M.S.C. but it deserves the Pulitzer Prize for the best editorial in 1932. Here is Miss Nielson's editorial:

Unwelcome Interference

He has been honored with membership in the British Royal Society of Arts; Edison



George W. Carver was born in Missouri in 1864; educated at Iowa State College, where he taught for some time, and finally became a teacher at Tuskegee Institute and Director of Agricultural Research in 1896. He was awarded the Spingarn Medal in 1923, and his work in agricultural research has attracted attention throughout the country. He has lectured at many universities, particularly white institutions in the South. Recently, he was invited to lecture at the Mississippi State College for Women, and the result is told by a professor at Smith College in this article.

Hall Johnson and His Negro Choir

By MARY OWEN LEWIS

Great brown evocative hands
Lifting and pulling the music
Out of the strong brown throats,
Urgent hands,
You play the blended choir of men and women
As if they were one guitar
Played by a master gypsy.

You draw them out to frenzied wail,
You make them shudder, croon and fail.
You thin them down to a broken cry.
You swell them to a boom!
And then they die
Away; to break out in a sudden call
Of tenor or soprano, leaving all
The level choir to climb a golden stair;
And take the key to Glory, hanging there!

wanted to have him in his laboratory; thinking business men all over the South respect his opinions. The Y.M.C.A. at Mississippi State College and at Ole Miss invited him to speak on their campuses, and large, enthusiastic crowds attended the lectures.

Yet the girls at M.S.C.W. were forbidden to even hear Dr. George Washington Carver who had been invited to this college by the Y.W.C.A. especially to speak to them.

The discourtesy to a distinguished guest was bad enough; even worse was the fact that girls, who for more than two weeks had been looking forward to hearing him, were denied the opportunity of hearing one of the most intelligent and outstanding men in the agricultural and scientific circles of the South today.

Had there been even the slightest objection raised by any member of the student body to having as a guest of the college a member of the Negro race, the discourtesy to which we have been forced might have had a very slight justification. College students are not radical, but at least we are broad-minded enough to express our whole-hearted admiration for a Negro whose accomplishments are as remarkable as those of Dr. Carver. Unfortunately, certain influential citizens of Columbus are hampered by a very narrowminded race prejudice. As long as they are contented to keep such opinions to themselves, we have nothing to say about them. But when our students are forced to suffer from the narrow-minded prejudices of others with which we have no sympathy, we have a definite right to protest.

Dr. Carver was coming to speak to us on Science, one of the most impersonal of subjects. He had been warned that in coming to Mississippi he ran the risk of being mobbed, but he was willing to come anyway, and only in Columbus has there been any expression of antipathy because of his color. Dr. Carver has devoted his life work to helping the South; his plan is to release the Southerners from their bondage to cotton by developing other agricultural interests. Surely the people of Mississippi, of Columbus—are in as great a need of such agricultural relief as any state in the South. The Negro scientist was to make not one penny from his Mississippi lectures—in our case \$13.00 covered his expenses.

The reason for refusing to allow Dr. Carver to come on the campus was given by the influential citizens was almost childishly preposterous—if Dr. Carver should come to the college there might be a race riot. Yet none of the influential citizens were at all concerned when a convention recently was entertained on the campus and a number of the gentlemen became synthetically over-exhilarated.

M.S.C.W. would have been honored to have received Dr. Carver as a guest-speaker; unfortunately what would have been a welcomed honor became an enforced disgrace.

Thus does southern youth assert itself in the face of the stupid and bigoted behavior of the older generation. May the day soon come when the youth of this generation arrive at positions of trusted leadership that justice and fair-play may increase in relations between the races.

August, 1932

Negro Athletes at the Olympic Games

By ROY WILKINS



Ralph Metcalfe

HOW many of the Negro athletes on the college teams of the country are likely to be wearing the United States shield in the 1932 Olympic games in California this summer?

At the time of the writing of this article nearly all the preliminary trials have been held. The big relays and the sectional games are over. The colored lads have registered their marks and it is possible to make some estimate of their chances.

Metcalfe, Tolan, Beatty

Three men have been named as "sure shots" for the United States Olympic team by five sports writers of leading colored papers. They are Metcalfe, Tolan and Beatty. Others get credit, but there is unanimous opinion on the Big Three.

Powerful Ralph Metcalfe, the ebony phantom of Marquette University, Milwaukee, is first choice of white and colored sports writers. The long, rangy, 180-pound flier, formerly a school-boy sensation with the Tilden (Chicago) high school track team, has been breaking records all spring. He has tied the world's record for the 100-yard dash, broken the records for the 100-meter and the 200-meter dashes. He is a lithe, bronze giant standing 5 feet 11 inches and has earned his way to the top by either tying or beating the best white and colored boys in the country.

"Ralph Metcalfe, 22-year-old sophomore at Marquette University," says Frank ("Fay") Young, news editor of the *Kansas City Call* and former sports editor of the *Chicago Defender*, "is almost a sure shot to not only place, but to win the 100-meter dash."

WILL THEY MAKE IT?

Here are the Negro athletes who are likely to make the U. S. Olympic team. It is like picking a race horse, says one writer, but maybe—

Ralph Metcalfe, Eddie Tolan, sprints; Eugene Beatty, hurdles; Willis Ward, Howard Spencer, high jump; Eugene Gordon, John Brooks, broad jump; George Williams, javelin throw; Richard Carter, flyweight boxing.

Bill Gibson, veteran sports editor of the *Afro-American* picks Eddie Tolan to win the 100 meters, but says.



Eddie Tolan

International

"Metcalfe should be the class of the 200-meter dash . . . and unless he breaks a leg or is weighted down with a ball and chain, he will shake the dust in the faces of all his rivals."

To these opinions, Randy Dixon of the *Philadelphia Tribune*, adds:

"I feel that the mantle of speed that has cloaked the great Ralph Metcalfe of Marquette and Eddie Tolan of Detroit establishes them as 'sure shots' in the 100- and 200-meter sprints as well as shows them to be boys who can take the sprint relays also."

The Midnight Express

The fleet, stocky Eddie Tolan, known variously as the Michigan Flier, the Spectacled Speedster and the Midnight Express, who won world fame as a

member of the University of Michigan track team, is picked by all observers as a member of the U. S. Olympics team.

Tolan, whose specialty is the dash, is expected to win or place in the 100- and 200-meter races and to be a mainstay in the sprint relays. The chunky speedster, whose short legs virtually pump him to victory in the dashes, has been training faithfully, trying to correct his one fault, which is slow starting. He is said to be in better condition than ever and to have gathered the necessary speed in taking off. Recently he was clocked in the amazing time of 10.3 seconds for the 100-meter dash, although in explanation, the officials at Ann Arbor stated he had a slight wind at his back.

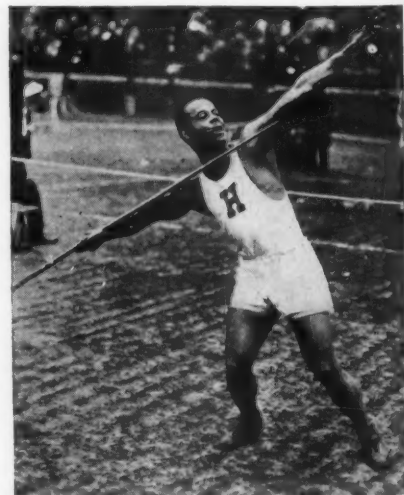
Although all the writers recognize him as a slow starter and a whirlwind finisher, they agree with Thomas J. Anderson, of the *Amsterdam News*, who says:

"Of the twelve Negro entries in the finals at Palo Alto, Calif., in July, the writer picks not more than six to survive . . . and of these six, three, Metcalfe, Tolan and Beatty, are sure to be competitors in the games."

So the international crowd in the great California stadium once more is likely to see short black legs flying and the Pacific sunlight glinting off taped spectacles as the Midnight Express flashes by for Uncle Sam.

Beatty, Gordon, Ward

Everett Beatty, Michigan State Normal hurdler, former track star of Cass Tech high school of Detroit, is the third member of the Negro Big Three, picked to make the team and win



George Williams

International

The Crisis

points for America. Beatty broke the Penn relays record this spring for the 400-meter hurdles, topping the sticks in 53.3 seconds. He has been clocked in the distance at 52.9 seconds.

Although he picks Beatty to make a good showing, Frank Young is cautious about making claims, and points to the fine performances of two white stars, George Saling, of the University of Iowa and Jack Keller of Ohio State University.

Ed Gordon, former captain of the University of Iowa track team, is picked by Bill Gibson for the broad jump over John Brooks, the year's sensation, who hails from the University of Chicago. Gibson thinks he is a more consistent and seasoned performer than Brooks. His experience as a member of the 1928 Olympic team is expected to count. Frank Young, however, who is closer to Brooks, gives him the edge over Gordon and points to his junior A.A.U. and Drake relays records. Young, however, along with other writers, believes that S. Cator, the Haitian jumper, who won the 1928 Olympic event with 26 feet $\frac{1}{8}$ inch, will win in California.

A new name has crashed into the sports news columns this year from that factory of great athletes, the University of Michigan. Willis Ward, freshman wonder at Ann Arbor, gets the rating in the high jump over Howard Spencer of Geneva (Pa.) college by virtue of his jump of 6 feet, $7\frac{1}{8}$ inches this spring. Spencer, who jumps with one foot bare, and who took the Penn relays event, is also given a chance to place on the U. S. team. Ward's mark, however, is more than two inches higher than the present Olympic record.

A Hampton Man and Others

John Louis Clarke, sports editor of the *Norfolk Journal and Guide*, voices the hopes of all the writers when he says of George Williams, Hampton javelin tosser:

"Being a Virginian by adoption, I am pleased that in Williams, a Negro school is likely to be represented favorably at the games. His recent 215-foot javelin throw at Chicago marks him as sound timber."

Every writer has a good word for Williams and he will carry the fervent good wishes of a host of admirers as he enters the trials. If he makes the team it will be the first time an athlete from

a Negro college has won a berth on the American Olympics team.

Richard Carter, flyweight boxer of the Salem Crescent club, New York City, is the only amateur boxer of color who is expected to make the team. Randy Dixon predicts the little lad will make the grade.

Other athletes mentioned as having some chances of placing on the team are Jimmy Johnson, Illinois Normal, sprints; John Lewis, Detroit City College, and Amsden Oliver, Dayton, O., schoolboy, hurdles; Booker Brooks, University of Michigan, discus throw; Miss Louise Stokes, Malden, Mass., sprints. Oliver is very young and has been out all season with a pulled tendon; Brook's best toss is about 14 feet under the record; and Miss Stokes will have plenty of very fast white competition if she should be able to journey from New England to the coast for the trials.

The Money Jinx

Frank Young and John Clarke, both practical, sound a note of warning on the jinx of money. The American Olympic committee is short of funds and Clarke points out that in curtailing expenses, Negro athletes are likely to be dropped first. Young declares what every "insider" knows and that is that white athletes after they leave college, are taken on by white athletic clubs who pay their expenses. The Negro public does nothing for its great stars after graduation and thus good colored athletes often are not financially able to train themselves and get railroad fare to the games.



Everett Beatty

International

Fourah Bay College

IN 1926 there took place in West Africa, a centenary of first importance to the Negro race. It is a singular commentary upon the division of African peoples that this hundredth anniversary of Fourah Bay College was practically unnoticed in the United States, and of the more than 50 Negro American Universities with 16,000 enrolled college students, not a single one was invited to take part in this centenary.

Nevertheless, Fourah Bay College is a land mark in Negro education. It is perhaps the oldest Negro college still in existence, if we except certain Mohammedan institutions of vast size and influence but of doubtful rank. The college department of this institution was first opened in 1827, but the earlier institution of which it was a continuation was founded in 1816 with 300 black boys and girls in its elementary

departments. It was supported by gifts from England and its first principal was a German Lutheran.

The Church Missionary Society of England soon became interested and started out to turn this institution into a regular college which should teach the "Classics, Arabic and other languages." The institution became a seminary in 1818, was removed to another location in 1820, and was about to collapse in 1826. Then it took on new life. The estate of a former governor at Fourah Bay in the colony of Sierra Leone was purchased, and with four students of college grade, the institution reopened in 1827 as Fourah Bay College. The first student enrolled was Samuel Adjai Crowther, afterward a Bishop of the Church of England. Crowther became eventually an instructor and later took part in the celebrated Niger expedition. A new building was begun with

rafters formed, for the most part, from the masts of condemned slave ships. In 1856, Arabic was added to the course of study and while the number of colored students remained small, the institution grew steadily. In 1876 occurred the next great step forward when the college was affiliated with Durham College in England and thus obtained a recognized scholastic standing. Then began a determined agitation among educated West Africans to transform Fourah Bay College into a real "University of West Africa." The college had sent forth scores of lawyers, doctors, engineers, merchants and traders and they demanded something more than an institution for the training of missionaries. Bishop James Johnson, Dr. E. W. Blyden, a colored Lieutenant Governor and a Negro Surgeon Major in the Medical service united to demand

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NATIONAL AFFAIRS

POLITICS

Grand Old Flapdoodle

The plank of the Grand Old Party having to do with the Negro is merely "flapdoodle" according to Walter White, secretary of the NAACP. In a statement to the press, which he made since the convention, White insisted that

"the profession of 70 years of friendship for the Negro becomes ironic in view of the party's record of lily-whiteism, the endorsement of the Hawaii lynching, the failure to appoint Negroes to important office, the attempt to ram Judge Parker down the throats of the people, and the segregation of Gold Star mothers on the pilgrimage to European battlefields."

Roscoe Simmons, Orator

Spellbinder Simmons, on the floor of the Republican convention electrified his audience with some old-time oratory, in his speech seconding the nomination of Herbert Hoover on the GOP ticket. Typical words, phrases follow:

"matchless Republican party . . . deathless Lincoln . . . Father Time writing on the brightest page of fame . . . dipping his pen into the dew of truth . . . Hoover . . . answers the expectations of grandest motherhood . . . he is the only hero that the bloodless way of a public opinion has produced in his century . . . he is the full bloom of the intrepid youth of our land, . . ."



Seconder Simmons,
"I Spoke to Lincoln"

Anti-discrimination

In the House of Representatives last fortnight was introduced by Joseph Crail (Rep. Cal.) a bill to prohibit discrimination on account of race or color in employment under contracts for public buildings.

The bill requires that every contract for or on behalf of the United States

contain a provision by which the contractor agrees not to discriminate against any citizen of the United States, who is qualified and available.

Penalty for violation of the provision of the contract prohibiting discrimination on account of race or color would be deduction from the amount payable to the contractor by the United States under the contract of \$5.00 for each person for each calendar day during which such person was discriminated against.

Most recent and flagrant case of discrimination under government contract is famed Hoover Dam at Boulderdam, Colorado, where per cent of Negro workmen is less than .004.

Socialist Crosswaith

Formerly active in the Pullman Porters' Union, Socialist Frank R. Crosswaith (of



Frank Crosswaith,
Socialists' Lieutenant Governor

New York City) is now slated on his party's ticket for Lieutenant Governor of the State of New York. This nomination was made at the New York State Socialist Convention held at Utica, N. Y., July 2-3-4.

Socialist Crosswaith has been a member of the Socialist Party for 18 years; last year, toured the country in their interest and lectured at 40 colleges; last winter, taught Socialism at the Rand School of Social Science, New York City. Is already busy campaigning for election.

NAACP Plank

Stalwart champion Earl Dickinson (Illinois attorney) exercised his rights as delegate to the Democratic Convention by presenting resolutions from the NAACP to the Platform Committee. Proposed but unadopted plank reads.

Recognizing the existence of a world crisis in which all races and groups of mankind

must cooperate to preserve civilization, the Democratic Party herewith declares itself and pledges the Party against discrimination by reason of race, creed or color, as being outdated, barbarous, unscientific and un-American.



NAACP'S Dickinson
No Lily White for him!

To Negro citizens the party pledges its opposition to the "White Primary" movement and offers full and untrammelled participation in party councils, conventions, primary elections and all phases of party activity without discrimination of race or color.

The Party will oppose all discrimination against Negroes in employment by the government or on projects financed wholly or in part by federal funds; in the administration of unemployment relief, whether financed by federal appropriations or through local funds. And the party will favor the identification of civil service applicants by finger printing rather than by the photograph system under which Negroes are now discriminated against.

The Party pledges itself to procure admission on a basis of complete equality, and of merit alone, of Negroes to all branches of the armed forces of the United States, including the Military Academy at West Point, the Naval Academy at Annapolis, and the Coast Guard Academy at New London.

The Party pledges itself to bring about an end to the barbarous crime of lynching whereby law is dethroned and the mob is made judge and executioner, and to enact a federal law for this purpose.

The Party pledges itself to the complete restoration of the independence of Haiti, including the withdrawal of United States armed forces now stationed there and restoration of full financial autonomy to the Haitian republic; to oppose the control of Hawaii by the Navy or other government agency which would deprive the Hawaiians of self-government; and to leave to the Republic of Liberia full freedom in working out its problems.

The Party further pledges itself to see to it that federal funds appropriated for home building, farm loans and education are expended under safeguards against any discrimination on the ground of race, creed or color.

The Crisis

FOREIGN NEWS

AFRICA

Unconquered Lion

Haile Selassie, emperor of Abyssinia, last month quelled a rebellion engineered by the former boy emperor, Lidj Yassu, who had been deposed 15 years ago, escaped from his mountain prison garbed in women's clothes, collected a crew of disgruntled soldiery, attempted a coup-d'etat. Yassu's escape, his preparations for the revolt, recall his unusual history and the intriguing part he has played in the recent life of Ethiopia. In 1913, after his grandfather, Menelik II died, Lidj succeeded to the throne.

Unfortunately, his later travels led him into Mohammedan lands, whereas Abyssinia is exclusively a Christian nation. His enemies at home spread the report that Lidj was adopting the faith of Mohammed, that all good Christians would be beheaded, that the churches would be violated, desecrated, destroyed. Upon his return from his extensive tour, embattled natives led by embittered clergy rose up against Lidj, dragged him from his royal quarters, and, blindfolded, led him away to his desolate prison in the mountain fastness of Northern Abyssinia. There he remained for more than 15 years, with the darkness and the gloom of his cave-like home slowly seeping into the marrow of his ageing bones.

Lidj's friends, however, had never given up hope of once again restoring to the throne of Abyssinia its once rightful ruler. For over a decade, in the greatest sworn secrecy, plans, schemes, plots were hatched. The original band of 13 retainers swelled gradually until it numbered well over 550 strong. And a few weeks ago, while his ragged guards dozed in the blinding tropical sun, Lidj Yassu and his group marched from the prison stronghold on their way to the capital city.

Uganda 3-4116

Telephone service to points in South Africa is now available. From New York to Cape Town, a typical call, the circuit would be about 9,500 miles in length and would cost, for the first 3 minutes of small talk about the weather and how is Aunt Mary, \$48, with \$16 additional for every other minute.

The trans-Atlantic radiotelephone office of the American Tel. & Tel. has made arrangements with the British Post Office whereby all calls from America to Africa will be handled over its lines without extra duty or tariff, thus making the calls practically negligible in cost (to Aunt Mary).

Snatched from the Briny

Five hundred Negroes, passengers on the Spanish steamer "Teide" were rescued from salty graves 70 miles off the west coast of Africa, last month, when they

were picked up from the wreckage of their ship which had foundered on the dangerous shoals and reefs abounding in those waters.

En route from San Carlos, Spain to Spanish Guiana, the "Teide," 4,000 ton, 26 year old 'sea-scow' proved unseaworthy after 4 days in open water. Captain Rodriguez, former maritime expert to the royal family at Madagascar, realized his difficulty, attempted emergency beaching on one of the Fernando Po islands. His limited knowledge of the strange waters led to the grounding of his ship upon the reefs, its destruction by mountainous waves.

Medical Report

The annual report (for 1932) on the general health of the Gold Coast community recently published, indicates:

cases of malaria.....	20% increase
leprosy	300% increase
tuberculosis	30% increase
venereal disease	25% decrease

over last year.



Christophe's Citadel
Mightiest, Most Magnificent

* Mariners who come into the harbor of Cape Haitien, take bearings on clear days, from the Citadel of Christophe, gigantic fortress begun by Emperor Dessalines in 1804, and finished by King Christophe after 15 years of continuous labors. Built on the crown of an impregnable mountain peak, it is a fortress that even from the sea, 20 miles away, looms in majestic silhouette against the sky, broods above the shouldering hills and jungles of the tropical island, lonely, isolated, deserted for 110 years. It is larger and more massive than the Tower of London, and is the most impressive structure ever conceived by a Negro's brain, or executed by Negro hands.

Under Henri Christophe's supervision, engineer Henry Besse evolved a design whereby the fortress took the shape of an irregular square, with walls ranging in height from 80 to 100 feet, and in thickness from 20 to 30 feet. The Citadel is at the very summit of a strenuous, three hours climb up a dizzy, dangerous trail. And in spite of the difficulties engendered at the time, a battery of 365 huge, bronze cannon was dragged up the precipitous slopes of the mountain, and placed in strategic posi-

Descriptive

A French Colonial school-boy writes an opinion about the Cow:

The cow is a mammal and tamed; she has six sides, right, left, front, back, top and bottom. At the back end there is a tail from which hangs a plume with which she drives off the flies so that they cannot fall in the milk. The head has for its aim, to have horns and that the mouth can be somewhere. The horns are there for horning, the mouth for chewing a cud. Under the cow hangs the milk, and it is arranged to be milked. When people milk, the milk comes, and there is never an end to the reserve. I have never learned how she makes more and more milk. The cow has a good odor, one can smell her from far away; it is for this reason that there is fresh air out in the country. The mister cow is called a beef; he is not a mammal. The cow does not eat much, but what she eats, she eats it twice that is why she has always enough. When she is hungry she chews a cud and when she does not say anything, that is when her stomach is full of food.

HAITI

Monument

To conserve "a monument* now in ruins which is considered to be a masterpiece of Negro genius," American Negroes are asked for contributions, subscriptions, through an appeal issued by President Stenio Vincent of Haiti.

tions commanding the entire countryside from its cone-like top. Hundreds of casks of gunpowder, thousands of 60-pound iron cannon balls were laboriously hauled up on the straining backs of panting, sweating men and women, and piled in immense chambers behind the guns. There were deep dungeons, treasure chambers, powder magazines, long corridors of cannon, and room, sufficient in an emergency, for the housing of a garrison of 10,000 men.

According to native tradition, in the great sections of the very walls that Christophe had caused to be erected, there was ample room for banded iron treasure-chests containing millions upon millions of American and English gold coin. And common folk-say had it that in the great vaults under the lowest dungeons there was a national treasure in gold that amounted to over \$30,000,000.

Chiefly, the Citadel was erected to serve as a refuge against the invasions of the French who claimed ownership of the Island and its peoples. But eventually it became only the tomb of Christophe, who died by his own hand with a golden bullet, during the uprising of 1820.

FOREIGN NEWS—(Continued)

ASIA

Ex-Monarch Prajadhipok

On June 26th, King Prajadhipok of Siam not reluctantly accepted the end of his absolute monarchy, the establishment of a constitutional monarchy. According to reports, the King had recognized for some time the desirability of a governmental change, had been willing even to initiate its inception, was eager to act as head of the new administration.

The "revolution" was bloodless, peaceful, quiet; the royal family nervous but quite safe. The "Peoples" Party, in power, assert that they have "established a government by and for the people with the consent of the King."



Siam's Army
Peacefully Rebelled

They have informed all legations that all treaties would be kept, that the lives and property of all foreign residents were safe.

The Commander-in-chief of the Army, who led the rebellion, issued a manifesto calling the attention of the world to his coup, insisting that it was not a rebellion, but a "modernization" of the country.

In Paris, at the Siamese Legation it was said that the inability of the peasants of Siam to sell their rice and rubber was the chief cause of the economic problems which led to the Siamese upset. A sliding scale salary reduction for government employees, put into effect about 6 months ago, was also a contributing cause.

Net result appears to be: continuation

of the beneficent rule of Pradjadhipok under a constitution similar to that in force now in England.

WEST INDIES

Cap'n Kennedy and the Spanish Rose

For more than 35 years, American plutocrats annually raced their expensive yawls from Montauk Point to Bermuda (628 miles) without any thought of competition from Negro sailing-masters. For this year's race into New York sailed big blustery, good-natured, swarthy, red-faced, 200 pound Robert Kennedy (West Indian Portuguese) to complete details for his captaincy of Bermuda millionaire Anthony Soares' entry "Spanish Rose." Mastery of the seas, experience with sail, general ability, were the three attractions that influenced richman Soares to create precedent, select Kennedy as his entry's master for the race on June 25th.

Barred from competition at the last minute on the grounds that its colored skipper and his crew of 6 were professionals, the "Spanish Rose," Bermuda entry, was literally left at the post when the 27 other contestants sailed for the Indies on the first leg of their race. The disqualified boat, however, accompanied the accepted entries on their race against time, did not arrive at Hamilton, Bermuda, until days after all other yachts were accounted for.

Trinidad Farm Note

For Trinidad, B. W. I., last month, from Canada, left a family of 96 thoroughbred, pedigreed roosters and pullets, 12 fat, grunting pigs. Local Trinidad talent, in the form of macaws and other native birds, will be greatly enriched by the sturdy voices from Canada, while the tropical climate is expected to mellow the strident tones of these new arrivals. Barnyard impressarios intend to establish a new breed of hen with the brilliant West Indian plumage of the native macaw-hen and the practical egg-laying propensities of the ordinary, rather sad-looking chicken.

Rum's Ruin

At Port of Spain, Trinidad, this month, thousands of gallons of fine, old rum were consumed in a fire which started in a group of government buildings, destroyed the treasury, 3 bonded warehouses, damaged 2 savings banks.

The scene, unique in the annals of Trinidad history, was made weirdly brilliant as a stream of flaming rum poured through the streets from the warehouses to the harbor, made a lake of blazing alcohol floating on its surface. To escape being burned in this fiery sea, hundreds of vessels anchored in the harbor hurriedly put to the open water, sadly watched \$125,000 in 50 year old rum go up in smoke.

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SCHOOLS

Wesley of Wilberforce

To the presidency of Wilberforce University, Ohio, was called Dr. Charles Harris Wesley, former professor in the department of History at Howard University. Canny Dr. Wesley declined to succeed Gilbert Haven Jones, who had resigned the presidency because of pressure exerted by Bishop Reverdy C. Ransom, prelate of the 3rd AME District, chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Said Ransom:

"There is general dissatisfaction with the institution. Everywhere over the state I hear the same general complaints, none of which are specific against Dr. Jones, but if we are not to have a new day, and a new progressive program, we may as well throw up the sponge."

Ex-president Jones is the son of former Bishop Joshua A. Jones, recently deposed bishop of the AME church.

Hoover at Howard

Speaking on a platform erected on the cool, breeze-swept quadrangle of Howard University last fortnight, during the Commencement exercises, Herbert Clark Hoover, chief executive of the United States said in part:

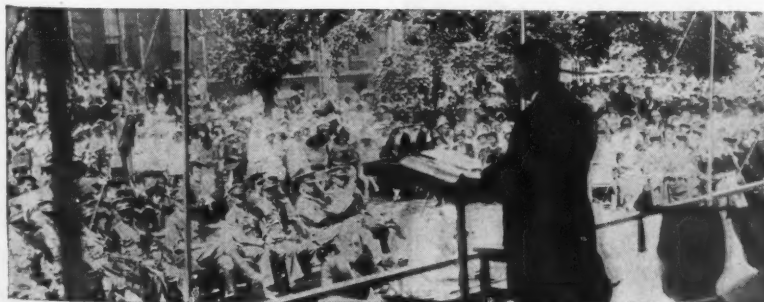
"It is an inspiration to come into this great institution of higher learning for the Negro race. Nothing that the Federal government has done reflects more credit upon it for the meeting of an obligation, than this institution to bring to a great segment of our population the means for overcoming a handicap for which they were not responsible, and of leveling upward for them an equal opportunity to share in the full measure of citizenship with their brethren of other races. . . .

"I congratulate the graduating class upon completing their studies with credit, and I congratulate the Negro race upon your efforts to prepare yourself for leadership in their development. I wish you well in your careers upon which you now embark."

Impressed, enthused, inspired by Hoover's address sat 361 eager graduates of Howard.

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Presiding over the sessions were ex-presidents of the Association. Speaking were State education officials (white), many college presidents (colored), national educators (white and colored).

Whittaker of South Carolina

To the presidency of South Carolina State College at Orangeburg, S. C., last fortnight, was called 38 year old Miller F. Whittaker. Youngest of all S. Carolina college presidents, Dr. Whittaker had been acting president of the College since the death this spring of Robert Shaw Wilkinson, former head of the institution. The new president's labors as chief of the department of mechanics had attracted wide attention, brought visitors from over the world to examine, study, appreciate the campus buildings, which he had designed. His work as acting president had won highest respect from alumnae, students, had decided them in his favor.

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17	1,785.00	1,230.00	615.00
18	1,745.00	1,210.00	605.00
19	1,705.00	1,190.00	595.00
20	1,665.00	1,170.00	585.00
21	1,625.00	1,150.00	575.00
22	1,585.00	1,130.00	565.00
23	1,545.00	1,110.00	555.00
24	1,505.00	1,090.00	545.00
25	1,465.00	1,070.00	535.00
26	1,425.00	1,050.00	525.00
27	1,385.00	1,030.00	515.00
28	1,345.00	1,010.00	505.00
29	1,305.00	990.00	495.00
30	1,265.00	970.00	485.00
31	1,225.00	950.00	475.00
32	1,185.00	930.00	465.00
33	1,145.00	910.00	455.00
34	1,105.00	890.00	445.00
35	1,065.00	870.00	435.00
36	1,025.00	850.00	425.00
37	985.00	830.00	415.00
38	945.00	810.00	405.00
39	905.00	790.00	395.00
40	865.00	770.00	385.00
41	825.00	750.00	375.00
42	785.00	730.00	365.00
43	745.00	710.00	355.00
44	705.00	690.00	345.00
45	665.00	670.00	335.00
46	625.00	650.00	325.00
47	585.00	630.00	315.00
48	545.00	610.00	305.00
49	505.00	590.00	295.00
50	465.00	570.00	285.00
51	425.00	550.00	275.00
52	385.00	530.00	265.00
53	345.00	510.00	255.00
54	305.00	490.00	245.00
55	265.00	470.00	235.00
56	225.00	450.00	225.00
57	185.00	430.00	215.00
58	145.00	410.00	205.00
59	105.00	390.00	195.00
60	65.00	370.00	185.00
61	25.00	350.00	175.00
62		330.00	165.00
63		310.00	155.00
64		290.00	145.00
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MUSIC

In Cleveland, O., this month was produced a new Negro opera, "Tom-Tom," with Jules Bledsoe and Charlotte Wallace Murray in the leading roles. The music for the production was written by Shirley Graham, a sophomore at Oberlin College, who used as a background for her melodic structures weird, unpublished, rarely heard Negro folk songs of the Southern swamps. If successful, the entire production will be moved to New York for a series of presentations at Madison Square Garden this winter.



Oberlin's Shirley Graham
Tom-Tommer

The first act opens in an African jungle before 1619, the second indicates the African in America, the third and last act takes the Negro to Harlem. Running through and underlying all the action from jungle to Harlem is the steady beat of the tom-tom, reminiscent of a similar practice in the "Emperor Jones." To secure realism for its jungle reproductions, producers have imported from Africa, Indoxiz Chiakazia, native voodoo-man. Elaborate staging plans call for elevated trains, subways, automobiles, cabarets, sailing vessels which explode, hundreds of dancers, pantomimenists, warriors, head-hunters, gigolos.

Mixed Chorus

Male and female voices combined to make the 5th annual Morehouse-Spelman concert at Atlanta, Ga. Spirituals sung by the chorus shared honors with orchestra selections of Schubert's "Symphony in B Minor," Liszt's "Hungarian Rhapsody." Next day's papers gave loud, verbal applause.

Nellie Foxall Debut

Recently in Philadelphia, Pa., appeared in her debut recital Miss Nellie Foxall, mezzo-soprano, student of Guiseppe Boghetti. Miss Foxall displayed a voice of unusual range, exceptional timbre, compelling warmth. From the high reaches of an upper register to the low, throaty stretches of a distinct contralto, her voice gave evidence of unusual promise.

Signor Boghetti compares the future of his latest prodigy with that of his other famous protegee, Miss Marion Anderson.

ART

Woman Artist

Elizabeth Prophet, whose studio is in Paris, France, has graciously returned on a summer's visit to the U. S. Following close upon the docking of the Lafayette, Sculptress Prophet unpacked her heads, busts, statues, shipped four choices to be



Elizabeth Prophet's
Study in Wood

hung in the twenty-fifth Art Exhibit at Newport, R. I. She took the Grand Prize for "true sculpture in every sense of the word."

Negro Art in Brooklyn

At the Brooklyn Museum, on Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, N. Y., week before last opened the annual summer Art exhibit. Prominently displayed were 12 paintings in oils by James Lesesne Wells, Art department Howard University, and one large canvas in the modern manner by Archibald Motley, Jr., of Chicago.

Of the subjects pictured by Wells, those showing most ability, attracting most attention were "John Brown's Crucifixion," "Harlem River Bridge," and "The Lonely Ones."

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Spunk

Said Julius Klein, assistant secretary of Commerce, in a message to the National Negro Business League on the occasion of its annual meeting:

Embezzlers?

Indicted last fortnight on charges of conspiracy to embezzle nearly \$500,000 from the National Benefit Life Insurance Company, John T. Risher, Mortimer F. Smith



CMA Exhibit at Nat'l Business League
Tobacconized the Convention

"I admire spunk and courage to carry on. The National Negro Business League started so long ago, with the obligation not only to improve, which is the objective of most Trade bodies, but with the necessity of creating a business machinery for one-tenth of the population of the country, and has heroically faced a tremendous task. Your obstacles have been many, but one by one you seem to be overcoming them. The Department of Commerce has watched with no little interest the information coming from your field of endeavor, and the department is gratified to find that through the efforts of the National Negro Business League, Negro business is more and more becoming a recognized part of the whole commercial structure of the country."

The 33rd annual convention of the National Negro Business League closed in New York City with plans for greater achievement, expansion, performance than ever before. Optimism was the keynote of the entire gathering. Hundreds of business and professional men from all parts of the country listened intently to addresses, lectures by Dr. Robert Russa Moton, president of the League; Walter White, secretary of the NAACP; Albon N. Holsey, president of the National Colored Merchants Association. Miss Eva D. Bowles presided over sessions of the Harlem Housewives League.

Despite Depression

President Norris B. Herndon (son of the late Alonzo Herndon), Secretary E. M. Martin, Jr., Auditor F. A. Toomer, announce continued prosperity for the Atlanta Life Insurance Company with assets 1,736,523; reserve \$1,345,713; capital and surplus, \$388,831; real estate without incumbrance, \$122,769.

and Daniel Gary, former office holders of the company, were placed in custody by District Insurance Commissioner Carver. The insurance organization, in financial plights because of these defalcations, has been enjoined from accepting further premium payments from its beneficiaries, until a complete audit has been made of its assets.

Approved by the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia last week was a resolution authorizing the officers of the National Benefit Life Insurance Company to pay 65% of the full, modified amount of insurance on Industrial death claims, in case of deaths occurring after Sept. 9, 1931. Already more than 250 claims have been paid.

Postal Furlough

Congressman Oscar DePreist, in an address before members of the National Postal Alliance in Chicago, advised them to hope and pray for a 30 day furlough without pay rather than a straight 10% cut in wages. DePreist continued, warning the Alliance that the government will be compelled to make a reduction in governmental wages in order to balance the budget and because the government is running heavily in debt.

"If an enforced furlough is accepted, it can be lifted whenever times grow better, by an executive order of the president. If a pay cut is made, Congressional action will be required to restore it, and years might ensue before it was made."

Roy O. Wilhoit, national president of the Postal Alliance, at the same meeting told of the importance in the economic life of the colored race, of Negroes who worked in the Federal service.

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THEATRE

Moscow Bound

Enroute for the Soviet Union went 21 students, actors, workers, writers, who will produce, under the supervision of the Meshrabpom Film Corporation, a picture of Negro life in America. Included in this all-colored cast are Langston Hughes, Wayland Rudd, Sylvia Garner, Mollie Lewis, Taylor Gordan, other Harlem entities. Capable Louise Thompson of the Interracial Commission engineered details of contract and trip. The USSR has agreed to furnish food, shelter for the movie people, who will be occupied for 3 months at a 250 ruble monthly salary.

Last week, at Leningrad, capital city of the Soviet Union, were received with cheers, music, much Soviet handshaking, these 21 adventurous Negroes who, under the guiding beneficence of the Meshrabpom Film Corporation, will take part in the Russian film record "Black & White." Their arrival marked also the beginnings of the celebration of International Scottsboro Day.

Hot Chot-chot

At the Werba Theatre in Brooklyn, N. Y., last fortnight, opened and closed another of the short-lived, all-colored musical productions which have marked this theatrical season with a dismal string of failures.

Johnny Hudgins, Eddie Hunter, Slick Chester, Chappelle & Stinnette, Louis Russell & Band, other well known names and personalities danced, sang, played to no avail. The music was reminiscent, inconsequential; the book, infantile.

Words and Music

Signed to a new 33 week contract at \$3500 per by Publix theatres, the 4 Mills Brothers sing "How'm I Doin'" with a deeper significance, understanding.

After a tour of 48 record-breaking weeks, the cast of the Green Pastures comes home to roost for a 3 weeks layoff. In mid-August, starting with a 2 week stand in Atlantic City, its new season will begin.

Low Leslie's "Rhapsody in Black," fast-stepping, moneymaking Negro revue, closed in Chicago after a two-weeks run, has been cut to tabloid size for moving picture house presentation.

At the Adelphi Theatre, Chicago, Ill., last month, "Do Your Stuff" opened to poor houses, lasted 3 weeks, ended in the red.

At the Cort Theatre, New York, "Bridal Wise," with Madge Kennedy and James Rennie co-starring, displays brilliant comedy, conversation. Supporting the stars are three Harlemites—Lew Payton as an efficient, unobtrusive butler; Ella Gordon as a housekeeper, modern style; and Raymond Bishop as a mischievous, lovable young scamp. See it.

Texas Guinan, most famous of all night-club hostesses, moves to a new hot-spot in Montreal this month, carries with her a portfolio of new songs by Jimmy Johnston.

August, 1932

Old Man Satan

Announced for filming by Southland Pictures Corporation, New York, are "Old Man Satan" and "Blind Alley," at the Metropolitan Studios, Fort Lee, N. J. Starred in "Old Man Satan" are Mary Jane Watkins, A. B. DeComathiere; in "Blind Alley," Vivian Baber and Thomas Moseley.

AWARDS

TO MISS MILDRED FREEMAN, only Negro graduate of South Haven High School, South Haven, Mich., second place in the county oratorical contest at Bangor, Mich. Judges were Albion College professors.



Oratress Mildred Freeman
Took Second

TO MISS ERNESTA KING, 51 points out of a possible 60, in oratorical contest open to all young people in the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Long Island, N. Y.

TO W. LAWTON HIBSON, high-school student in Orange, N. J., first prize in the state-wide oratorical contest held by the NAACP last month, for his oration, "A Plea for the Study of Negro History."



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To NEEDHAM ROBERTS, Trenton, N. J., the order of the Purple Heart, by the United States government, for outstanding bravery during the world war.

To MRS. MARY B. MARTIN, only colored member of the Board of Education in Cleveland, O., the honor of awarding diplomas to the graduating class (98 young men and women, including Mrs. Martin's son Stuart) at Central High School.

To DAVID JOHNSON, student at the Institute of Musical Art, New York, the gold medal for the highest rating in the N. Y. Music Week Association contest last month.



*Virtuoso David I. Johnson
His father taught him how*

To CARRIE L. ADAMS, Spelman college, first prize in an essay contest conducted by Omega Psi Phi fraternity, for her essay, "Booker Washington as a business man."

To MISS GWENDOLYN M. E. BRYANT, 16 year old graduate of Flint Central High School, Flint, Mich., a Freshman Scholarship at Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill.

To JOVIX ASTRA DESUZE, dean of Trinidad (W. I.) teachers, the Order of the British Empire, by the Trinidad Legislative Council, "for his merit as a public servant, educator and friend of the people."

FOLKS

Hurt

In Brooklyn, N. Y., last week, Emmett Hurt, strengthened and emboldened by a quantum of Gordon's High and Dry tonic, came home, demolished 3 chairs, 1 table, 4 cups, 1 casserole. Wife Mary was disturbed, rather annoyed, possibly hurt. In court, next day, it was established that Hurt hurt Hurt, would therefore be held under \$300 bail to keep the peace.

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Again William Allen

To William Allen, finder of the Baby Lindbergh, was presented a resolution by the New Jersey Assembly commending him for his deed which, undoubtedly, "meant a great saving to the State of New Jersey and to others, of money that would otherwise have been used in continuing the search for the lost child."

It was unanimously agreed by the assembled body that a copy of the resolution be sent to the Senate, to the Governor of New Jersey and to Allen. The chief executive of the State will certainly look with favor upon a suggestion that Allen be appointed to some State position as a

measure of appreciation for what he has done.

Mortified

In the cornfield of his farm near Tallahassee, Fla., this month, Frank Williams, suddenly came face to face with a large bear. Rapidly, Mr. Williams returned to his dwelling, secured his shotgun, slowly approached the marauding visitor. Two volleys fired he at the shaggy head that wagged before him. But the bear, mortified at being pelted with birdshot, growled, started on the run for Mr. Williams. Again did Mr. Williams pay a visit to his home, but he returned with an axe, slew the bear.

Brave Brown

For the first time in the history of the Atlanta, Ga., police department, the gold medal for extreme bravery is awarded to a civilian. Bill Brown, 28, colored, at the risk of his life, tracked to his hiding place Wallace Hughes, confessed bandit, killer. His exploit was rewarded, not with a post in the police department, which Brown covets, but with the golden medal.

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"Golden Wedding" Ice Cream

"Fast" Willie Jenkins, Atlanta, Ga.'s most enterprising ice-cream vendor was arrested there last week, for distributing in one of the local movie houses, whiskey disguised as pistachio ice-cream. Nightly in the theatre, Willie would walk up and down the aisles with his supply of frozen dainties in paper cups, calling his flavors. Under the first layer of cream, the cups were filled with "intoxicating, debilitating, demoralizing spiritus frumenti," according to the Prohibition officers who arrested him. Mr. Jenkins now rests from his labors in one of Atlanta's detention homes under \$200 bond, subject to further examination.

Big Bob Little

Only Negro boy in his graduation class of 300 at Holyoke High School, Mass., (Big) Bob Little carries with him to Springfield College letters in baseball, football, basketball and track. His athletic ability, coupled with his high scholastic record places him immediately in the forefront of Holyoke history. Broad-shouldered Bob starts now on a college career.

Commissioner Nelson

Commissioner of Athletics in the Philadelphia area, with 47 deputies at his beck and call, Robert J. Nelson, recently appointed by Governor Pinchot of Pennsyl-



Pennsylvania's Nelson,
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vania, enjoys the distinction of being the only colored man in the country to occupy such a position. For \$5,000 yearly Commissioner Nelson will supervise boxing and wrestling matches in schools and colleges, also professional matches.

August, 1932

SPORT

Fouler Jones

Sixty thousand Frenchmen groaned, booed, hissed when Gorilla Jones, National Boxing Association's middle-weight champion, tapped not too gently the groin of Monsieur Marcel Thil, his continental opponent. The occasion was a 15 round bout for the championship, the place was Paris, the time, last month.

The American boxer, armed with a tremendously long reach, toyed with his beefy opponent during the first 5 rounds without a blow landing on him. In the 6th to 10th rounds, Gorilla slowed down, waltzed, clinched continuously. In the 11th round, Thil suddenly doubled, his face screwed up with agony. He had been punched low. "Foul!" he cried, "Je suis tombé!" Canny seconds of the French fighter screamed to him above the din and roar of the maddened crowd to fall to the floor of the ring, claim foul, which he did to the evident discomfiture of Gorilla, who stood in his corner slightly embarrassed by this turn of events.

Referee Casanova rushed up to Gorilla, declared him disqualified. Crestfallen, Jones made a pass at the referee, but Señor Casanova ducked.

"Negroes Allowed"

After vigorous protest meetings called by the local branch of the NAACP and other groups in Baltimore, to complain of exclusion of colored athletes from Olympic tryouts at Johns Hopkins, the Athletic Board of the University has reversed its "Jim Crow" ruling, now allows Negroes to compete on its field for Olympic posts. Entered in the trials are: Russell Sterling, Alfonso Cottman, track stars from Morgan College, and Calvin Johnson, Roland Butler, field stars from St. Paul's School, Laurenceville, Va.

"No Negroes Allowed"

The Cuban stars, crack West Indian baseball aggregation, are barred from the Denver (Colo.) Post tourney because their presence might annoy Southern ball clubs which have entered in the same series.

Charles L. Parsons, sports editor of the Denver paper, who invited the Cubans to join the tournament, reneiged when protests came pouring in from the baseball moguls in three of the larger Southern cities.

Sydney Pollack, owner of the Cuban Stars, in a statement to a Crisis reporter, insisted that this ruling will not prevent his club from completing its games scheduled for Iowa and Nebraska later this summer.

"Speed" Owens

Two weeks ago, at Cleveland, Ohio, Jesse Owens, high-school track marvel, established a new world's record of 10.3

seconds for the 100 meter dash. In 1921, Charles Paddock, "world's fastest human" hung up the record of 10.4 seconds which stood for 11 years without being equaled.



Cleveland's Owens,
Bird-like, he flies

Thus Owens qualifies for the Olympics; stands a good chance of winning first place for the United States in his event.

Gus Moore Wins

Competing unattached, at Belmont, Long Island, Gus Moore retained his AAU 10 mile run championship ahead of a field of 40 starters. Moore took the lead at the beginning of the race, was never headed, finished 300 yards in front of James McDade of the Melrose AC., in the fast time of 54:45.

At the American Olympic semi-final tryouts in Harvard Stadium, Cambridge, Mass., the following week, Gus Moore, running unattached, sped himself blind in the 10,000 metre run, to crash into a wall after finishing far in the rear of the field.

The Keed Wins

In a 10 round, boxing exhibition, at the ball park in Philadelphia, last fortnight, Kid Chocolate, made of his opponent, one Roger Bernard, a bloody smear, a discouraged prize-fighter. From the opening gong in the first round to the closing bell in the tenth, the sleek-haired Cuban had much his own way, tearing and smashing through the weak defense of Bernard. Carried to his corner after the bout, Bernard was heard to mumble through thickened lips, "I was robbed."

BOOKS

Folk-Say: a regional miscellany,
edited by B. A. Botkin. Uni-
versity of Oklahoma Press.
\$5.00

This is Dr. Botkin's third annual volume of regional miscellany. The number of states covered this year is somewhat larger than that covered in 1929 or 1930. The contributions are also more ably selected. Two or three of the poems and one or two of the stories are quite feeble, but the rest of the 29 pieces show a high degree of skill. Among the best of them is "Lonesome Valley," by Sterling A. Brown.

The Black Irish of Jamaica, by
Joseph J. Williams. Lincoln
MacVeigh Press: \$2.00

The author makes a most convincing case about the sale of Irish men and women Catholics to the landed West Indian gentry in Barbadoes and Jamaica during the 17th century. Under the leadership of Protestant Oliver Cromwell, thousands of unfortunate believers in Catholicism were torn from their homes, families, shipped wholesale to these tropical islands. The men were used for heavy labors on the plantations, while the women and young girls were given over to domestic servitude. Doubtlessly, miscegenation occurred, offspring resulted, with concomitant mixtures of African and Irish blood. Thus the author answers the age old question of why, on the island of Jamaica, there are numerous Negroes with Irish names and features.

South Africa, by Jan H. Hofmeyr. Charles Scribner's Sons:
\$5.00

Although Cecil Rhodes' adventures in Africa extended from Cape of Good Hope to Cairo, including Rhodesia, Kenya, Tanganyika and Uganda, Dr. Hofmeyr's range of view is more limited. His outlook is that of the Dutch-British outlook of General Smuts, a position midway between the nationalism of Prime Minister Hertzog, the imperialism of the English loyalists.

Thus Dr. Hofmeyr deliberately avoids mention of any revolution in Natal, riots in New Zealand, defaults in Australia.

In Africa, the supreme problem is Race. Lord Milner's insane plan of recruiting Chinese coolies into compounds around the mines was arrested before it had done irreparable injury to the life of the community. Of course, fundamentally, it is the Negro who owns Africa. By the million the Negroes have been uprooted and exploited in mines and other occupations. Dr. Hofmeyr says:

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he was urged to enter, to throw him back into the loneliness and frustration of his outworn tribal associations? Is it not already too late?"

He adds, "Too late, and therein is South Africa's tragedy," and the word tragedy shows how difficult it is for the Cape Dutch to emancipate themselves from the slave-holding sentiment of the past. The fact that the Negro has ceased to be a serf, and refused to be a segregated captive insisting on the position of co-worker in the building up of South Africa's economic life, is not a tragedy but an opportunity."

PRESS OPINION

Christian Century

"A story of cheerful omen comes out of the recent student volunteer conference of North Carolina. For the past six years this conference has admitted Negro delegates on even terms with others, under the fairly reasonable assumption that for prospective missionaries race prejudice simply cannot exist. This spring's conference, held at Raleigh, was distinguished by an interracial banquet—the first time that we had ever dared to do such a thing," says one of the managers with a justifiable sense of successful adventure. . . .

"This is good news, and hopeful. But the pleased reports of white and colored members reveal more than they say. That an incident like this should be news at all does but indicate how long is the road, though clear enough, over which American religious groups must travel before so Christian a story can be told without our common wonder."

Cleveland Guide

"In urging the seating of the colored delegates from South Carolina and Mississippi instead of the 'lily whites,' Maurice Maschke, national committeeman of Cleveland reminded the Republican national committee assembled in Chicago for the National convention, that there are thousands of colored voters in Cleveland and other northern states whose votes will be needed in the general election this Fall.

"Republicans and Democrats are beginning to realize the power of the Negro vote. They could realize it more, and it could be brought into an important role if Negroes would unite at the right time, for the right candidates and wield the balance of power that would show great results. The Negro vote is an important factor. It could be made to produce wonders."

Norfolk Journal and Guide

"Because he threatened two white men with a knife, Luke Murray was lynched by a mob at South Point, Ohio, last Tuesday.

"Not content with having been given a free hand in the South, the lyncher must now travel to new territory. It has been scores of years since Ohio has had a lynching bee. It should be triple that number before the outrage again occurs. With the move of the scene of operations of the mob, northern Negroes who migrated there to escape the hatreds of the South, must immediately act to protect their interests against a recurrence of such a horror.

"The recourse, plainly, lies in the ballot. . . . If this murder goes unpunished, these black voters should swarm the polls against every public official who could have pushed the prosecution but failed, from the Sheriff of South Point to Governor White. If faithless public servants realize that mass voting against them will be the reward of their callous indifference, there will immediately be a change for the better."

August, 1932

Chicago Defender

"Mr. Hoover visited Howard University. It was no doubt condescending, but it was, nevertheless, a visit. The president is quoted as having made an interesting speech about the Negroes' contribution to the solution of our civic and economic problems. To those who are sponsoring the president's cause the visit served its purpose.

"The president was pleased to note the progress being made by the race along educational lines. He was unable to give his audience any assurance as to how their education could be used to overcome some of the civic limitations and restrictions placed against them by their own government.

"The president did not tell them that he would use his good offices to see that they—after passing a civil service examination for a federal position—would not be rejected on account of their color. The president did not tell them he, as chief executive of the nation, would condemn discrimination in all of its forms in governmental affairs.

"The president did not tell them that he would use his influence to the extent that the right of suffrage would be restored to those who have been deprived of it by those who claim to represent the president. Nor did the president even touch briefly on the lynchings and murders and the peonage which have become the social pastimes of the South."

LIFE — DEATH

Sued for Divorce

Robert S. Abbott, publisher of the *Chicago Defender*, by his wife, Helen Thornton Abbott, on grounds of desertion.

Married

At Lincoln Academy, North Carolina, Miss Sue Bailey, National Student Secretary of the Y.W.C.A. to Rev. Howard Thurman, instructor in the School of Religion at Howard University.

Christened

Eighth child of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark of Chickamauga, Ga., "Hoover Depression Clark."

Sued for Divorce

Dorothy Porter by her husband, Casey, for infidelity, in Jerome, Ariz.

Casey Porter, wealthy Arizona baker, by his wife Dorothy for extreme cruelty, abandonment.

Almost Married

Gertrude Hooker to Virtie Bennett, in Kansas, Mo., because the bridegroom "lost the license." Ceremony was performed the next day with a duplicate license.

Died

Mrs. Rosa Kinckle Jones, teacher of music at Hartshorn College, Richmond, Va., for over 40 years, at the Long Island home of her son, Eugene. In 1880, Mrs. Jones graduated from Howard University, studied at the New England Conservatory of Music, immediately entered upon her long teaching career at Hartshorn. Eugene Kinckle Jones, only son, is the executive secretary of the National Urban League.

Died

Arthur Moss, 51, comedian, of apoplexy, at his home on West 118th Street, New York. Funnyman Moss for 25 years was paired with funnyman Henry Frye (Moss & Frye), traveled here and abroad with their act, "How High Is Up?", was the first colored vaudeville team to appear at the Palace Theatre, ace house of the country.

Suicide

Dr. Edmund A. Burrill, former vice-consul to Venezuela, at his home in Washington, D. C., with a bullet from his 38 calibre revolver, because of "ill health."

Died

Juanita Stinnette, prima donna, of peritonitis, at the State Hospital, Manchester, N. Y. She is survived by Chappie Chappelle (Chappelle & Stinnette) who had been rehearsing with "Hot-Chot-Chot" ill-fated colored musical revue in Brooklyn, N. Y., when news of his wife's death was brought to him.

Died

At the home of her brother in McKinley, Mo., Lucy Hale Tapley, 75, president emeritus of Spelman College, after a short illness. Miss Tapley for 37 years was on the faculty of Spelman College, and for 17 years was its president, having served successively as teacher, principal of the practice school, superintendent of the teachers' training department, and dean.



Lucy Hale Tapley,
Spelman's Loss

In 1890, 9 years after the founding of the institution, Miss Tapley came to Spelman, and from the very first, showed promise of brilliance both as student and teacher. As the years passed, Lucy Hale Tapley took over more and more work of the seminary, tradition having it that at one time or another she had served in every department except as a nurse in the hospital.

In 1927, Miss Tapley resigned as president because of failing health. During the 37 years of her service, several thousand young women had come in direct, personal contact with her and had been helped. She had also seen the institution grow from a plant of 14 acres and 2 brick buildings, to 20 acres and 14 buildings.

Postscript

by W. E. D. DuBois

VASSAR

VASSAR is the only first grade woman's college in the North which still refuses to admit Negroes. Bryn Mawr and Mount Holyoke held out long but finally surrendered, although Bryn Mawr still keeps its dormitories "lily white." But Vassar wriggles and explains, while its President, Henry Noble McCracken, talks nobly to his graduating class:

"We must add to this program of external political and economic control, a program of social sympathy and co-operation, undertaken throughout American society for the resistance by every means within our power against lowering of standards of living and the disintegration of the American family; we must incorporate in American life no lower ideal with regard to the care of the unfortunate."

A wise word on hypocrisy in high place is all that is needed to complete this picture of "wider social aims."

ALBERT THOMAS

ALBERT THOMAS, Director-General of the League of Nations International Labor Office, died in Geneva in May. He was more than an official. He was a great international and inter-racial worker for the common good, and especially for the laboring classes. Contrary to many philanthropists and Socialists, he included among the laboring classes, the yellow coolies of Asia and the black slaves of Africa. I remember my conference with him in 1921, and his call upon me later here in the United States. I had high hope through him of the protection and uplift of colored labor throughout the world. His death is indeed a great loss.

METHODS OF DISCRIMINATION

ONE often is puzzled to know how white Colonial administrators effect the discrimination which is continually manifest between rulers and natives. The rulers get excellent schools for their children; the natives often get none; and yet the benevolence and justice of the administration is continually stressed.

Governor Roosevelt of the Philippines, a member of the Spingarn Medal Committee of the N. A. A. C. P., has discouraged and stopped one means of

educational discrimination in his bailiwick. The Manila Central High School has been carried on partially by public funds for the benefit exclusively of white children. Hereafter, by order of Theodore Roosevelt, it will be opened to all children who can pay the tuition fee and the tuition fee will be reduced.

DELIBERATE DISCOURTESY

AMERICA is in the habit, now and then, of conduct so inexcusable that it places itself out of the society of the cultured. A recent example is the expedition to North Greenland where a Peary Memorial is to be erected. In the party, were the wife, daughter and grandsons of the great discoverer of the north Pole, and Captain Bob Bartlett, who commanded Peary's ship. There were also scientists and a crew of 27 persons and mechanics. But no invitation was extended to Mat Henson, the faithful colored companion and servant of Peary and his only comrade when he discovered the Pole. It is doubtful if any other nation on earth would have permitted color prejudice to excuse such discourtesy. We could imagine what France would have done under the circumstances. Mat Henson would have been in the first cabin! Even England would have gone out of her way to honor such an Indian, a West Indian, or a West African. But America was simply silent and rude.

THE HONOR OF WOMEN

FRANCES WAYNE, who corresponds for the *Denver Post* and other papers, writes that for centuries white men have been building up the law that "their women are sacred. White woman for white men. That is the code established and put into effect, even in lands where the population is overwhelmingly Oriental, African or Indian. And this," she avers, "is the secret of the Hawaiian scandal!"

How beautiful! We presume that this explains not only the number of white prostitutes in every country in the world, and the widespread white slave traffic, but also the fact that the slogan of "Colored women for white men" is also curiously popular with the civilized. This was the case in Hawaii; and the debauching of yellow, brown and black women by white Christian civilization is

one of the patent results of the spread of European culture.

We would be glad to have Miss Wayne descant on this subject and also on Clarence Darrow's remark when he returned from Hawaii. He is reported to have said:

"The Japanese, Chinese, Hawaiians, Porto Ricans, Portuguese and others are ten to one against the Americans. In fifty years there will not be any white people left in the islands. Intermarriage is the answer. The judge who tried the Massie case is a man who went there from Maine. His wife is half Chinese, half Hawaiian."

RELIGION

OUR friend, George Frazier Miller, rector of St. Augustine's, Brooklyn, writes us in part as follows:

The fascinating, illuminating, but, withal, distressing treatment of "The Church of My Fathers" by Gustavus Adolphus Steward, in your July issue, was followed through with intense interest and scrutiny.

Let us hope for great, salutary effects from its general reading and study. But why does Mr. Steward, in recommending changes in the Church's teaching and practice, wish to compel the ecclesiastical pendulum to swing to the other extreme? . . .

I would ask him, or any other man on earth, what becomes of the Church when the cardinal truths of which Good Friday and Easter are expressive have been discarded? Would Mr. Steward have the Church whose very life grows out of, and centres in, the Atonement, degenerate into a society of ethical culture and a bureau of industrial advice?

Here is the impasse for the man who is not interested in church dogma concerning Easter or the Atonement, but is concerned with ethical conduct, economic survival and spiritual health. There is absolutely no meeting place for argument between him and this clergyman, excellent gentleman though he be.

RIGHTS

A NEW Bill of Rights, suggested by the *Journal of the National Educational Association* is, as good for black folk as for white, and takes words right out of our mouth:

First, the right to security—to a system of life so planned as to offset the uncertainties of ill-health, accident, disability, unemployment and old age.

Second, the right to a home amid surroundings that are beautiful, clean, quiet, safe, wholesome and neighborly.

Third, the right to an education, thorough and comprehensive including both children and adults, adapted to the changing needs of the new day.

Fourth, the right to a government that is honest, intelligent and efficient—the faithful servant of common need and purpose.

Fifth, the right to a job that will afford an opportunity for service by which to earn a minimum income that will provide a reasonable standard of living.

Sixth, the right to community recreation for all, supported by community funds, publicly managed and freed from the degrading influences of excessive commercialism.

Seventh, the right to participate in democratic community activities which will help to magnify the human values and to make life beautiful, happy and significant.

BLAINE OF MAINE

THE semi-secret and persistent propaganda on the history and meaning of the Civil War still keeps up to an astonishing degree. No book or article can get even a respectful hearing among the leading reviewers of the nation unless it subscribes fully to this thesis:

1. The cause of the Civil War was not slavery.
2. The South would have emancipated the Negroes of its own accord.
3. There was no cruelty or essential degradation in the slave system.
4. The enfranchisement of Negroes was a mistake.
5. The evils of Reconstruction were mainly the result of emancipating slaves and making them citizens and voters.
6. The Negro officials of the South were venal and ignorant and Negro rule had to be put down by force and fraud.
7. The radicals of the North were inspired by spiteful hatred and sought to punish and humiliate the white South.
8. The white Southerners received their defeat in good faith, bore no animosity toward the North, and were disposed to treat the Negroes with fairness and even kindness.

This thesis was begun by Dunning of Columbia, carried out in a series of monographs by young students at Columbia and Johns Hopkins University, sanctified by James Ford Rhodes, and lately has received new life and extraordinary emphasis in such books as "The Tragic Era," by Claude Bowers, "Carl Schurz," by Fuess "The Rise of American Civilization," by Charles and Mary Beard, Milton's "Age of Hate," Carpenter's "The South as a Conscious Minority," and numbers of others widely advertised and highly praised volumes. On the other hand, books that dare differ in any way with this thesis are killed by silence or denunciation.

Frederick Bancroft's "Slave Trading in the Old South," Stewart's "Reward of Patriotism," Skagg's "The Southern Oligarchy," and last and first, Charles Edward Russell's "Blaine of Maine," are books that dare to take the opposite stand and have been railed at or ignored.

Charles Edward Russell's "Blaine of

Maine" is a splendid biography and would have been universally hailed as such if Mr. Russell had acquiesced in the philosophy of the Southerners. But imagine a book written today affirming Andrew Johnson when he took his oath as Vice President of the United States was so drunk that he could not repeat the sentences that Hamlin read! When he was President, "Delegations of colored men came to see him with appeals in behalf of their people, now faced with an economic crisis in the South. He contented himself with vague and rambling expressions of a general good will but nothing to show what he intended to do for them. He had always been their friend; all his career had shown that, he reminded them. Beyond this, nothing. Frederick Douglass was one of the speakers for one of these delegations and made an eloquent and logical plea. It was no more productive than the others had been."

Or take this uncontrovertible statement of the problem of Reconstruction:

"Who were to be voters at these elections in lately revolted states? The same classes of persons that had voted before the war? What was to be done about men of the South that had stood by the Union, that had been driven from their homes and were now returning there? Nothing. What was to be done about the four million emancipated Negroes? Nothing. Let all these shift for themselves. The main thing was apparently to get into Congress representatives from these states and restore there the pre-war status.

"For what followed, blame has been laid heavily upon both sides, according to the prejudices, antecedents or ancestry of the writer. As a matter of fact, the results were probably inevitable. The most liberal minds in the North could hardly be expected to accept such a doctrine after the struggles and sacrifices of such a war. The men of the South, released from all danger of punishment and suddenly elevated to their old station in the government, could hardly be blamed for the conclusions they formed. In the war the decision had gone against them. They were now in effect assured by the President that they had done no wrong in waging that war. If they had done no wrong they must have been right. If the war was right the slavery for which alone they made the war must have been right also. And slavery being right as well as advantageous for many reasons, they proceeded to reenact it throughout the South."

This is the kind of book that Russell has written. It is not a volume of hero worship. He puts before us the picture of a man of rare ability, with many foibles, riding triumphantly on the current of his times. Russell refuses to falsify the facts. He declares that the

convention elections which reconstructed the South were in every state "fair and honest elections." And that the corruption of the South after the war was not the corruption of black people or of white people, but the corruption of America, and the corruption which engulfed and ruined James T. Blaine.

This is a big book of nearly 450 pages, but for those who want to escape from the morass of propaganda which has been deliberately trying for fifty years to lie about slavery and the Civil War, it is the kind of book to be bought and read and handed along.

THE NEGRO ENCYCLOPEDIA

AT the invitation of the trustees of the Phelps Stokes Fund there was held in November 7, 1931, a conference at Washington, D. C., "to consider the possibility and advisability of publishing, with the help of the Phelps Stokes Fund and other foundations, groups and individuals who may be interested, an Encyclopedia of the Negro." There were present at that conference twenty persons, of whom ten were white and ten colored. Among the colored persons present were Professor Benjamin Brawley and President Mordecai Johnson of Howard University, Dr. George Haynes of New York, James Weldon Johnson and Charles S. Johnson of Fisk, Eugene Kinkle Jones of New York, Professor Kelly Miller of Howard University, Walter F. White of New York, Monroe Work of Tuskegee and President John Hope of Atlanta. At that meeting it was unanimously recommended among other things that there should be added to the list of the conferees, Dr. Carter G. Woodson of Washington, D. C., Dr. Alain Locke of Howard University and Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois of New York.

At a second conference, January 9, 1932, there were twenty-one persons present, of whom thirteen were colored. Dr. Locke and Dr. Du Bois were present but Dr. Woodson was not. At this conference, the proposed encyclopedia was further discussed, and a Board of Directors was nominated by a committee consisting of Anson Phelps Stokes, Mordecai Johnson and W. E. B. du Bois, and including these three. This Board of Directors consisted of seventeen members, of whom nine were colored. The colored members were Professor Brawley, Dr. Otelia D. Cromwell, Dr. Du Bois, Dr. John Hope, Dr. Charles S. Johnson, Mr. James Weldon Johnson, Dr. R. R. Moton, Mr. Monroe N. Work, Mr. Eugene Kinkle Jones and President Mordecai Johnson. A special invitation was issued to Dr. Carter G. Woodson to join this Board of Directors but he declined.

The white members of the Board are W. W. Alexander of Atlanta, Dr.

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NEGRO IN COLLEGE (Continued from page 250)

Building at Bluefield College, West Virginia. The State Normal School at Fayetteville, North Carolina, has begun the erection of a new girls' dormitory. Atlanta University has dedicated a new Library Building to be used by the University and Morehouse and Spelman Colleges. The Coppin Normal School, Baltimore, has occupied a new modern building. St. Augustine College, North Carolina has a re-modeled Science Building.

Among the larger gifts for Negro education has been an endowment for a professorship in Economics at Atlanta University of \$100,000 from Carnegie Foundation. The General Education Board has given \$200,000 and the Rosenwald Fund \$125,000 to the Tennessee A. and I. College.

Bishop and Wiley College, Texas, are offering a joint summer school. St. Augustine College of Raleigh, North Carolina and the Bishop Paine Divinity School of Petersburg, Va., will be united in Raleigh. Johnson C. Smith University at Charlotte, North Carolina and Scotia College for Women, formerly of Concord, North Carolina, have been united.

The Cheyney Training School for Teachers at Pennsylvania has been recognized as a State Teachers' College. The General Assembly of Tennessee has placed the A. and I. College on a par with the four white State Teachers' Colleges in the matter of appropriations. The Stowe Teachers' College of St. Louis has been accredited by the American Association of Teachers' Colleges. For the first time, Mississippi has officially recognized a Negro high school, in the case of the high school department of Tougaloo.

FOURAH BAY COLLEGE (Continued from page 253)

a university but the Church Missionary Society was scared at the demand for secular education devoid of religious training and when a man like Blyden actually had a good word to say for Mohammedanism the "fat was in the fire" and the movement failed.

Between 1871 and 1886, Fourah Bay College matriculated four new college students a year, between 1887 and 1907, six students a year, and between 1908 and 1911, 10 students a year. But its support was not adequate and in 1909 the two chief Missionary Societies operating in West Africa, the Church Missionary Society and the Wesleyan Methodist Society, united in the support of Fourah Bay College as a "training institution for African evangelists." In July, 1926, the Centenary of the foundation of the college and the Jubilee of its affiliation to Durham College was celebrated in Sierra Leone.

Durham University in England and Achimota, the new institution on Gold Coast were represented. The Bishop's sermon was on the "Christian Ideal."

The college has always had white principals and mostly white professors. Among its distinguished graduates have been four Negro Bishops of the Church of England—Bishop Johnson, Bishop Crowther, Bishop Oluwale and Bishop Howells. Besides these have been large numbers of teachers, preachers, lawyers, government officials and physicians. About 75 of its graduates have done post graduate study in England and taken higher degrees.

The history of the College, however, culminates curiously. In 1920, there had taken place the celebrated study of African Education undertaken by Thomas Jesse Jones, financed by the Phelps-Stokes Fund with the cooperation of the England Missionary Society. This expedition in its report in 1922 recommended a change in the curriculum of Fourah Bay College. Thus in 1929 the local authorities of Fourah Bay College prepared to abolish the arts curriculum and to restrict facilities for higher and advanced education.

Immediately, black Sierra Leone was on fire. The alumni made vigorous protest and the Church Missionary Society was compelled to send a representative who succeeded in explaining away the proposal. Nothing further has been done and the college curriculum remains as before, although the college still has inadequate endowment. It will be intensely interesting to notice the future of this old and worthy institution.

POSTSCRIPT (Continued from page 267)

James H. Dillard, formerly of the Jeanes and Slater Funds, Dr. C. T. Loram of Yale University, President Read of Spelman College, Dr. Anson Phelps Stokes, President of the Stokes Fund, Dr. J. E. Spingarn, of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Dr. Waldo G. Leland, Secretary of the Council of Learned Societies, Dr. Radcliffe Brown of the University of Chicago and W. A. Aery of Hampton.

An Executive Committee was appointed, consisting of Dr. Stokes, Dr. Brawley, Dr. Moton, Dr. Dillard, Dr. Du Bois, President M. W. Johnson and Dr. Loram. Four of these are colored.

Finally, a third meeting was held on March 12, and it was voted to incorporate the Directors and to take tentative steps toward the selection of an editorial board. Here the matter rests. Its further progress depends upon the possibility of raising sufficient funds to meet the necessarily large expenses of such an undertaking. It is hoped that the sum may be raised and the work begun in 1933.

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